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DELAWARE WEBSITE HONORED AS BEST IN THE NATION

Delaware Chief Information Officer James Collins announced today that Delaware has been awarded First Place in the 2014 "BEST OF THE WEB" State Government Competition. This is the third time that Delaware's cyber security website has received this honor in the past five years.

The Department of Technology and Information (DTI) cyber security website (digiknow.delaware.gov) was named the best state government site for promoting cyber security awareness and information. "This award is a testament to the Delaware team's hard work and dedication over the past months to improve our site and continue bringing important cyber security information to Delaware's citizens." said Elayne Starkey, Delaware Chief Security Officer. Delaware's website offers the latest information on cyber security news, events, videos and tools. The Parent's Page offers resources for keeping our children safe on the Internet. A special section for kids provides links to games, puzzles, and videos designed to protect them from cyber bullying and online predators. There is also a notification service, where citizens can sign up for e-mail security alerts and advisories. Valuable information for all website visitors is just a click away.

The BEST OF THE WEB Contest is sponsored by the Center for Internet Security's <u>Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center</u>, which is the focal point for cyber threat prevention, protection, response and recovery for the nation's state, local, territorial and tribal governments. "Congratulations to the state of Delaware for its continued efforts to provide excellence online resources that promote cyber security best practices and help educate and protect users," said William Pelgrin, president and CEO of the Center for Internet Security.

DTI sponsors a number of cyber security education and awareness activities and events throughout the year, especially in the fall in honor of National Cyber Security Awareness Month. In 2014, DTI has provided live cyber safety presentations to over 6200 Delaware 4th graders statewide.